

REMARKS

This communication responds to the Final Office Action mailed on December 12, 2008.

No claims are amended, no claims are canceled, and no claims are added; as a result, claims 1-32 and 34-38 are now pending in this application.

Interview Summary

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the telephone conversation between the Examiner and Applicant's Representative, Thomas F. Brennan, on January 8, 2009. Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 were discussed. The Examiner explained that foreign patents and non-patent literature publications were fully considered but lined through merely to indicate that these documents will not be published on a patent for this application. The Examiner also explained that all of these documents will be properly initialed and returned to Applicant on his next communication.

Specification Objections

The Examiner has required that the status of referenced U.S. application be updated. The specification has been amended herein to reflect the issuance of cited U.S. Application Serial No. 10/643/741. Withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant electronically filed Information Disclosure Statements and 1449 Forms, with electronic copies of all required documents, on August 18, 2008 and October 9, 2008. Copies of the documents filed, including foreign patents and non-patent literature publications, are posted in PAIR.

Applicant believes he has complied with the requirements for providing documents. However, if further action is necessary, clarification of the Examiner's objections in this regard is respectfully requested.

§112 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1-10, 21-32 and 34-38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as lacking adequate description or enablement. In particular, the Office Action states, at p. 3, that “added limitations “when the corresponding write data becomes available, transferring the write data to the shared memory in instruction order across the network without the write request address” and “pairing, within the shared memory, the write request address with the separately transferred corresponding write data” were not disclosed in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed.”

Applicant respectfully submits that these limitations are fully supported in the specification as originally filed on August 18, 2003. Applicant respectfully draws the Examiner’s attention to p. 5, line 24 through p. 8, line 19 of the specification. *See esp.* the specification, p. 7, line 20 through p. 8, line 6 (“even though the write data and write address are sent at different times, they are received in instruction order at memory,” eliminating the need for an identifier associating an address with its associated data). Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 11-20 have been allowed.

Claims 1-10, 21-32 and 34-38 were indicated to be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112 set forth in the Office Action.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's representative at (612) 373-6909 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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